INTERNATIONAL SEARCH REPORT

Internal Application No 10/552805

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A. CLASSIFICATION OF SUBJECT MATTER
IPC 7   G06F9/50   G06F9/48

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B. FIELDS SEARCHED

Minimum documentation searched (classification system followed by classification symbols)
IPC 7   G06F

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C. DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT

Category*	Citation of document, with indication, where appropriate, of the relevant passages	Relevant to claim No.
X	NARLIKAR G J ET AL: "SPACE-EFFICIENT IMPLEMENTATION OF NESTED PARALLELISM" ACM SIGPLAN NOTICES, ASSOCIATION FOR COMPUTING MACHINERY, NEW YORK, US, vol. 32, no. 7, 1 July 1997 (1997-07-01), pages 25-36, XP000701966 ISSN: 0362-1340 First full paragraph of page 26, left-hand column Section 2 "Model of Parallelism" and first paragraph of section 3 on page 27 Paragraph bridging pages 27-28	1,3,4, 14-20
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Y	DATABASE INSPEC [Online] THE INSTITUTION OF ELECTRICAL ENGINEERS, STEVENAGE, GB; 2001, STREIT A: "On job scheduling for HPC-Clusters and the dynP scheduler" XP002329479 Database accession no. 7307055 abstract Section 5 "The dynP Scheduler": page 62 - page 63 -& PROCEEDINGS OF INTERNATIONAL IEEE CONFERENCE ON HIGH PERFORMANCE COMPUTING - INDIA 17-20 DEC. 2001 HYDERABAD, INDIA, 20 December 2001 (2001-12-20), pages 58-67, XP002329478 High Performance Computing - HiPC 2001. 8th International Conference. Proceedings (Lecture Notes in Computer Science Vol.2238) Springer-Verlag Berlin, Germany ISBN: 3-540-43009-1 -----	2
Y	ENGELSCHALL R S: "pth GNU Portable Threads" PTH MANUAL, 17 February 2003 (2003-02-17), XP002315713 page 2, line 1 - line 12 Item "preemptive vs. non-preemptive thread scheduling": page 3 Items "int pth_suspend() and "int pth_yield()": page 10 -----	1,3,4, 14-20
Y	JIMAN HONG ET AL: "On the choice of checkpoint interval using memory usage profile and adaptive time series analysis" DEPENDABLE COMPUTING, 2001. PROCEEDINGS. 2001 PACIFIC RIM INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM ON SEOUL, SOUTH KOREA 17-19 DEC. 2001, LOS ALAMITOS, CA, USA,IEEE COMPUT. SOC, US, 17 December 2001 (2001-12-17), pages 45-48, XP010585360 ISBN: 0-7695-1414-6 abstract First and last paragraphs of section 2 "Checkpoint based on memory usage profile...": page 45 - page 46; figure 1 -----	1,3,4, 14-20

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1. claims: 1-6, 14-20

Methods and computer program product for task scheduling based on memory usage. Scheduling scheme based on co-operative multitasking, where preemption points are specified in each task, typically at points in task with low memory usage.

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2. claims: 7-13

Devices and method steps for evaluating whether system has enough memory to process the offered load and subsequent selection and (preemptive) suspension of memory intensive tasks.